To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2536 without my signature as the intent of this bill can be done administratively through the regulatory process and does not require legislation.

This bill requires the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to establish building standards by January 1, 2006 regarding the installation of grab bars and non-skid flooring or mats in hotel bathrooms.

While the goals of the bill are laudable, they can be better accomplished through the building standards adoption process.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger